

**§ 409. Travel and transportation allowances:  
house trailers and mobile homes**

(a)(1) A member, or in the case of a member's death, the member's dependent, who would otherwise be entitled to transportation of baggage and household effects under section 406 of this title, may be provided transportation of a house trailer or mobile home dwelling within the continental United States, within Alaska, or between the continental United States and Alaska (or reimbursement for such transportation), if the house trailer or mobile home dwelling is intended for use as a residence by such member or dependent. Such transportation may be limited to such modes and maximum costs as may be prescribed by regulations under subsection (d).

(2) Except as provided in subsection (c), transportation of a house trailer or mobile home dwelling under paragraph (1) is in place of the transportation of baggage and household effects the member or member's dependent would otherwise be entitled to have provided.

(3) The cost of transportation of a house trailer or mobile home dwelling under paragraph (1) may not be more than the total cost of transportation (including packing, pick-up, line-haul or drayage, delivery, and unpacking) of baggage and household effects of the member or dependent having the maximum weight authorized for the member or dependent under regulations prescribed by the Secretary concerned.

(4) A house trailer or mobile home dwelling in transit under this section may be stored up to 180 days in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Secretary concerned.

(b) Any payment authorized by this section may be made in advance of the transportation concerned.

(c) A member or member's dependent who is entitled to the transportation of baggage or household effects from a place inside the continental United States or Alaska to a place outside the continental United States or Alaska, or from a place outside the continental United States or Alaska to a place inside the continental United States or Alaska, may be provided the transportation of a house trailer or mobile dwelling under this section, but the total cost to the Government of the transportation of baggage and household effects and the transport of a house trailer or mobile home dwelling may not exceed the cost of transporting baggage and household effects of the member or dependent having the maximum weight authorized for the member or dependent under regulations prescribed by the Secretary concerned.

(d) The Secretaries concerned shall prescribe regulations to carry out this section.

(e) In this section, the term "continental United States" means the 48 contiguous States and the District of Columbia.

(Pub. L. 87-649, Sept. 7, 1962, 76 Stat. 475; Pub. L. 88-406, Aug. 7, 1964, 78 Stat. 383; Pub. L. 89-718, §§61, 62, Nov. 2, 1966, 80 Stat. 1123; Pub. L. 90-246, Jan. 2, 1968, 81 Stat. 782; Pub. L. 96-342, title VIII, §808(a)(1), Sept. 8, 1980, 94 Stat. 1096; Pub. L. 100-26, §8(e)(6), Apr. 21, 1987, 101 Stat. 286; Pub. L. 102-25, title VII, §702(b)(1), (2), (c), Apr. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 117.)

## HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
409 .....	37:253(c) (12th sentence).	Oct. 12, 1949, ch. 681, §303(c) (12th sentence); added Mar. 31, 1955, ch. 20, §2(13), 69 Stat. 22; Mar. 17, 1958, Pub. L. 85-347, 72 Stat. 37; re-stated Oct. 4, 1961, Pub. L. 87-374, 75 Stat. 804.

The words "the United States, except in Hawaii or Alaska," are substituted for the words "the continental United States" to conform to the definition of United States in section 101(1) of this revised title and to reflect the opinion of the Comptroller General in B-139624, June 29, 1959, that Alaska was not included within those words. The words "an agent of the United States" are substituted for the words "the Government", for clarity. The words "United States" are substituted for the word "Government". The words "of the uniformed services" are omitted as surplusage in view of the definition of member in section 101(23) of this revised title.

## AMENDMENTS

1991—Subsec. (a)(1) to (3). Pub. L. 102-25 struck out "of this section" and "of this subsection" wherever appearing.

1987—Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 100-26 inserted "the term" after "In this section,".

1980—Pub. L. 96-342 completely revised and expanded provisions covering the travel and transportation allowances for the movement of house trailers and mobile homes, changing the structure of the section from a single unlettered paragraph to one consisting of five subsections lettered (a) to (e).

1968—Pub. L. 90-246 substituted "74 cents" for "51 cents" as maximum allowable cost-of-transportation mileage rate.

1966—Pub. L. 89-718 substituted "household effects" for "household goods" and "48" for "forty-eight".

1964—Pub. L. 88-406 substituted "continental United States, within Alaska, or between the continental United States and Alaska" for "United States except in Hawaii or Alaska", "51 cents" for "36 cents", inserted "by the United States or" in cl. (2), and defined "continental United States".

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1980 AMENDMENT

Section 808(b) of Pub. L. 96-342 provided that: "The amendments made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall only apply to transportation of house trailers and mobile home dwellings which is completed after September 30, 1980."

## CROSS REFERENCES

Assimilation of pay and allowances, see section 1003 of this title.

Regulations for administration of section, see section 411 of this title.

## SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 406a, 411, 420, 554, 1003 of this title; title 5 section 4109; title 10 section 2013.

**§ 410. Travel and transportation allowances: miscellaneous categories**

(a) The following persons are entitled to such travel and transportation allowances provided by section 404 of this title as prescribed by the Secretaries concerned—

(1) cadets of the United States Military Academy;

(2) midshipmen of the United States Naval Academy;